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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

FROM: H. F. Hutchinson, Jr.  
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SUBJECT: Congress and the DCI/SEO

1. The Senate Select Committee on Intelligence has scheduled a hearing on 2 March to cover overseas counterintelligence and security issues. The Committee hopes to have you and Secretary Baker testify. The general issue of embassy security against foreign intelligence activity is to be reviewed in testimony as well as in Committee questions. The Committee hopes to receive the report on the DCI/SEO required by the Appropriations Conference Report before 2 March. They will ask questions about it at the hearing in any case.

2. The House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence and the House Foreign Affairs Committee put you and the Secretary of State on notice that the House will address legislative solutions to the embassy security issues if President Bush (or you and Secretary Baker) does not resolve the disagreements over the DCI/SEO. While no date for a hearing or receiving the DCI/SEO report has been set, the House budget hearings will be influenced by an agreement between you and Secretary Baker.

3. I recommend that you move to deepen the agreement with Secretary Baker and then, together, we can broaden that agreement by discussing it with Ivan Selin and sending a memorandum to Secretary Baker supporting the review of overseas security standards and designating the DCI/SEO as a player.

4. Perhaps you could put the draft DCI report to the President in Baker's hands this week to get this strategy under way.



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